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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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APPLICATION NO: 09/669,298

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FOR: HETEROCYCLIC SODIUM/PROTON EXCHANGE INHIBITORS  
AND METHOD

Art Unit: 1614

Examiner: H. Liu

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Office Action dated March 12, 2003 finally rejecting claims 1-3, 6, 8-10, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 22, 24-27, 31 and 64-74.

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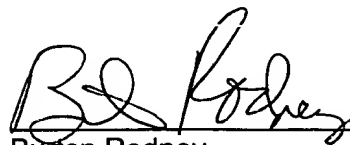
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☐ Enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time.

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Respectfully submitted,

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